

head, filled with sweet-meats, and dainties for Pharaoh. And the birds eat them out of the uppermost basket, as I passed along." The butler said, "I dreamed that I stood before a beautiful vine, which had three branches loaded with clusters of ripe grapes; and I took a golden cup, and pressed the juice of the grapes into the cup, and delivered it into Pharaoh's hand."

And Joseph said, "This dream portends, that Pharaoh will forgive you, and in three days you will be put in the same office, which you held before; but do not forget me, when you are at liberty, but speak for me to Pharaoh, that I may be released out of this dungeon; for indeed I have done nothing to deserve this imprisonment."

But to the baker, Joseph said, "It will be very different with you. Pharaoh will certainly release you in three days, but it will only be to put you to an ignominious death; for he will hang you upon a tree, and the birds will eat your flesh."

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## CHAP. VI.

*Pharaoh's Dreams, and Joseph's Release.*

THE interpretations of the foregoing dreams were proved to be true. In three days the baker was hanged, and the butler restored to his place. But alas, the butler entirely forgot Joseph! This should teach us, that the best of men may expect

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